



International School of Helsingborg

PARENTS AND TEACHERS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

Date of Meeting	Wednesday, 23 rd August 2017
Commenced	16:30 pm
Concluded	17:50 pm
Venue	ISH Petri, Helsingborg – Conference Room
Chairperson	Ruth Kerry
Secretary	Jean-Pierre Alouan

MINUTES OF MEETING

Item	Items																		
1.	Opening Remarks and Welcome The Chairperson opened the meeting.																		
2.	Approval of the Agenda The Agenda was reviewed by prior circulation and approved.																		
3.	Notation of who is present at the Meeting <table border="1"><tr><td>PRESENT</td><td>Ruth Kerry Delia Auliso Sophia Backe Michael McAneney</td><td>Oivind Linnerud Carla Johansson Jean-Pierre Alouan</td></tr><tr><td>APOLOGIES</td><td>Brendon Sidebottom Jonas Jarekull</td><td>Sally-Anne Drury Cyrena Rattray</td></tr><tr><td>PROXIES (copies tabled)</td><td>Member giving Proxy</td><td>Proxy given to</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td colspan="3">QUORUM: Declared</td></tr><tr><td>VISITORS</td><td>Fiona Bergström</td><td></td></tr></table>	PRESENT	Ruth Kerry Delia Auliso Sophia Backe Michael McAneney	Oivind Linnerud Carla Johansson Jean-Pierre Alouan	APOLOGIES	Brendon Sidebottom Jonas Jarekull	Sally-Anne Drury Cyrena Rattray	PROXIES (copies tabled)	Member giving Proxy	Proxy given to				QUORUM: Declared			VISITORS	Fiona Bergström	
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4.	Subcommittee Reports Nil.																		
5.	Minutes for Consideration The Minutes of the Meeting of 22 nd June 2017 were reviewed and approved.																		
6.	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes Nil.																		

7.	<p>ISH PTA Website</p> <p>Briefly discussed was the need to maximise the use of the new website, including the sending of emails from PTA email addresses rather than Board members' private email addresses.</p> <p>The previous website should be decommissioned as it still prominently features in google searches and contains outdated information.</p> <p>The Secretary to consult with Brendon Sidebottom on these and other items in the coming few weeks.</p>
8.	<p>Afterschool Care (Fritids) Activities</p> <p>Sophia Backe provided an overview of Fritids and of the interest expressed by parents in several activities. The following activities are being arranged for the remainder of this calendar year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Homework Club – the previous club did not succeed as well as expected because of a lack of supervisors. ▪ Coding in - for juniors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - for more experience programmers ▪ Swedish Language Class, to be run twice per week ▪ Chess Club ▪ Mandarin Language Class
9.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>The Treasurer is presently away, no financial statements were tabled; however, the Chairperson spoke about fundraising, grants and mini-grants.</p> <p>A grant of 20,000Kr to 30,000Kr to the school library was discussed – to assist stocking the new MYP library following the relocation of MYP. It was suggested that proceeds from a forthcoming event could be allocated, for example the Divali Night, which last year raise circa 75,000Kr. However, as the requirement was more immediate, it was suggested that a staged release of funds would satisfactorily address the request. Requests for library donations are to be posted in the ISH newsletter to assist.</p> <p>The pending matter of obtaining an Organisation Number to comply with our banker's account policy was brought up and discussed with reference to last meeting's Minutes. Oivind Linnerud asked that this requirement be left to him to investigate.</p>
10.	<p>Dates for Diary</p> <p>With reference to the Minutes of the previous meeting, which detailed the schedule of coming events, the following events and dates were discussed and agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>4th September</u> – Class Representative Meeting To commence 5pm with a 1 hour duration. For security reasons, entry and exit to be via front door only. The library was suggested as best venue. Class Representatives are to be contacted via email by Julie Little. To reply to a query raised at the meeting: the school diary was supplied at a cost of 50Kr this year with money collected to be applied towards class excursions, including Viking Camp. b. <u>7th September</u> - Coffee Morning at Konserthus The manager of Konserthuset has offered to host ISH PTA Coffee Mornings once per month. The first such morning shall comprise a joint event with HIC on 7th September. c. <u>8th September</u> – PTA Welcome BBQ The date for this event has been moved to 8th September and this change shall be notified in the Friday newsletters and posters. The stereo system was confirmed to be portable and available for use outside to provide entertainment as a further selling point. The event shall commence at 5:00pm for a 2 hour duration. d. <u>2nd December</u> – Winter Fair The date for the Winter Fair, the most significant source of fundraising for each individual class, has now been moved to 2nd December. <p>Also discussed was Nobel Day and that this should be split between MYP and PTP.</p> <p>Alternatives to the Spring and Winter Fairs were discussed as it was agreed that the Spring Fair has become a stressful and draining event and the children had full class schedules and should not be too distracted by the need to make things to sell. In this regard, a Glögg Night was mentioned as being simple to organise, inexpensive to supply, with a high mark-up and with good crowd drawing appeal.</p> <p>Several parents have asked about a dress-up parent dinner night, free of the kids, where parents could socialise and get to know each other – to this effect, class parent dinners at the school dining hall were again suggested perhaps with guest entertainment and perhaps a celebrity chef to feature. These events would include silent auctions and raffles, etc, to augment fund raising.</p>

11.	<p>Coffee Morning in Library – First Day of School</p> <p>The coffee morning was announced to be a successful event with many parents attending and several registering to volunteer with the PTA.</p>
12.	<p>HIC-PTA Event</p> <p>This was mentioned in item 10.b., above.</p>
13.	<p>Other Business</p> <p>ISH is releasing an official announcement this evening in relation to mainstream media reports and social media circulations concerning a brawl outside the ISH DP building that resulted in the stabbing of two Olympia students.</p> <p>It is being confirmed that there were no ISH students or teachers involved and that the incident occurred on public property outside of the ISH DP building.</p>
14.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>To be confirmed: the next meeting is to be held on: Wednesday, 11 October 2017 at 4:00pm at the ISH Petri Staff Room.</p>
15.	<p>Meeting Closure</p> <p>The meeting was declared closed at 17:50 pm.</p>

Signed as a true and correct record

Ruth Kerry
(ISH PTA Chair)

23rd / August / 2017
Date